#### Regional MS4 Storm Water Permit

#### Keeping our sites on Outcomes



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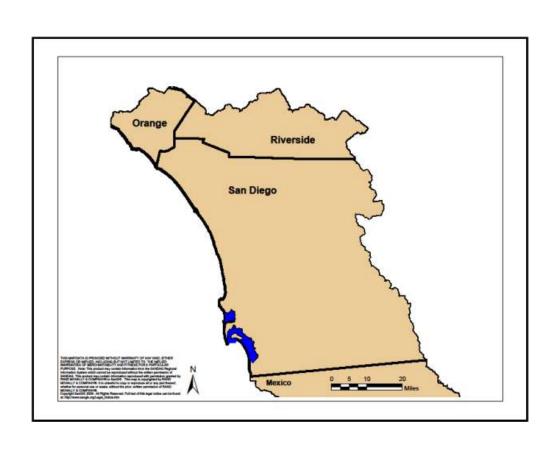
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#### WHY?

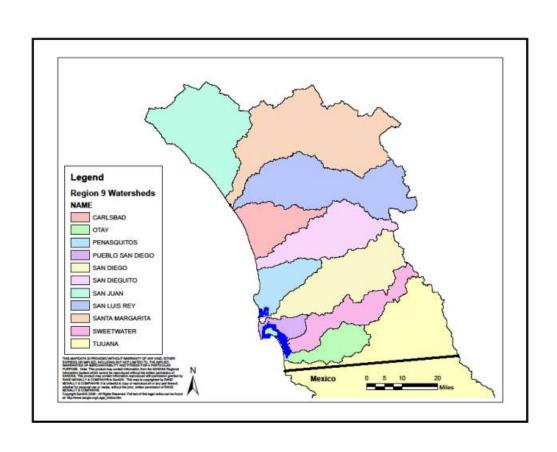
Restore and maintain the physical, chemical, and biological integrity of the Nation's waters

Improve and protect water quality and Realize economy of resources

#### Out with the old ... regional approach



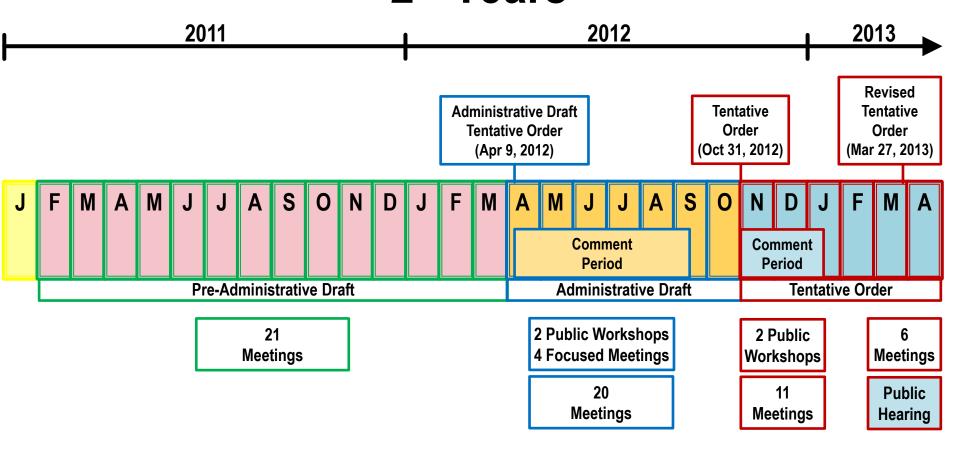
## In with the new ... watershed approach



#### INTENTIONS

An effective permit is required for water quality improvement and protection

## Permit Development Process 2+ Years



### The New Paradigm...

Action oriented



Outcome oriented





Water Quality Improvement Plan

### Regional Permit Provisions

- A. Prohibitions and Limitations
- **B. Water Quality Improvement Plans**
- c. Action Levels
- D. Monitoring and Assessment Requirements
- E. Jurisdictional Runoff Management Requirements
- F. Reporting

#### Water Quality Improvement Plans

Purpose: Copermittees to collectively develop Plans that guide jurisdictional programs towards achieving the outcome of <u>improved water quality</u> in both MS4 discharges and receiving waters

#### Water Quality Improvement Plans

- 1. **Prioritize** water quality issues resulting from discharges to/from MS4
- 2. **ID** pollutant sources associated with priorities
- 3. **Define** numeric targets and schedules to achieve improvement in priorities
- 4. **Describe** strategies to achieve targets
- Describe a coordinated monitoring/assessment program
- Adapt Plan/programs as necessary

#### San Diego Water Board's Role

#### Water Quality Improvement Plan

- 1. Participate in Plan development
- 2. Participate in all Consultation Panels
- Ensure / Support Copermittees efforts to conduct Watershed Management Area Analysis
- 4. Conduct public process
- 5. Review / Accept Plans
- 6. Ensure compliance with Regional MS4 Permit

## Monitoring and Assessment

Purpose: Provide info to Copermittees regarding the nexus between health of receiving waters and condition of discharges from MS4

### Monitoring and Assessment

- 1. Jurisdictional Monitoring (Effluent)
- 2. Watershed Monitoring (Receiving Water)
- 3. Watershed Special Studies
- 4. Regional Special Studies
- 5. Assessment Requirements
  - a. Prohibiting NSW discharge?
  - b. Reducing pollutants in storm water to MEP?
  - c. Restoring and protecting receiving waters?
  - d. TMDL calculations

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